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#### Senate

#### **Record of Committee Proceedings**

#### **Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation**

#### **Assembly Bill 144**

Relating to: designating and marking a portion of STH 19 as the Georgia O'Keeffe Memorial Highway.

By Representatives Hahn, Hebl, Van Roy, Owens, Lothian, Ballweg, Pope-Roberts, Stone, Hines, Gronemus and Lehman; cosponsored by Senators Miller, Robson, Kanavas and Wirch.

June 17, 2005

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation.

October 20, 2005

#### **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present:

(5) Senators Kedzie, Stepp, Kapanke, Wirch and

Breske.

Absent:

(0) None.

#### Appearances For

- Gene Hahn Representative, 47th Assembly District
- Mike Austin Office of Representative Gene Hahn
- Gary Hebl Representative, 46th Assembly District
- Mark Miller Senator, 16th Senate District
- Joe Chase Mayor of Sun Prairie

#### Appearances Against

• None.

#### Appearances for Information Only

• David Vieth — Wisconsin Department of Transportation

#### **Registrations For**

• None.

#### Registrations Against

• None.

#### November 3, 2005

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

Present:

(5) Senators Kedzie, Stepp, Kapanke, Wirch and

Breske.

Absent:

(0) None.

Moved by Senator Wirch, seconded by Senator Kapanke that **Assembly Bill 144** be recommended for concurrence.

Aves:

(5) Senators Kedzie, Stepp, Kapanke, Wirch and

Breske.

Noes:

(0) None.

CONCURRENCE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0

Matt Phillips Committee Clerk

#### **Vote Record**

# **Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation**

Date:	_November 3, 2005	and the state of t		<b>.</b>		
Bill Number	:Assembly Bill 14	14				
Moved by:	wirch	Seco	nded by:	Capante	<u></u>	
Motion: Co	ncurrence					
Committee Member			Aye No	<u>Absent</u>	Not Voting	
Senator Ne	al Kedzie, Chair					
Senator Ca	thy Stepp					
Senator Da	n Kapanke					
Senator Ro	bert Wirch		回回			
Senator Roger Breske						
		Totals:	5-0			



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## Chairman's Notes: Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation Public Hearing – October 20, 2005

- Welcome to today's hearing of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation. Today we are having a public hearing on a number of Transportation related bills. We will also be entering into executive session to vote on a number of Natural Resources bills that the Committee has previously held a public hearing on.
- Committee Clerk will take Attendance. The roll will be left open for members who have yet to arrive.
- I would like to remind individuals wishing to testify to fill out a hearing slip and give it to the member of the Sergeant's Staff.
- Also, because of the number of bills before the committee today, I would encourage everyone to limit their comments to 5 minutes or less. For those that have written testimony, I would encourage you to summarize instead of reading it verbatim.
- It is my intent to take up the items in the order listed on the hearing notice, and will take up Companion bills at the same time.

#### Assembly Bill 144 (Hahn/Hebl/Miller)

Relating to: designating and marking a portion of STH 19 as the Georgia O'Keeffe Memorial Highway.

<u>Summary:</u> This bill directs the Department of Transportation to designate and, upon receipt of sufficient contributions from interested parties, mark the route of STH 19 in this state from Sun Prairie to Marshall as the "Georgia O'Keeffe Memorial Highway" in recognition of the artistic contributions and accomplishments of Georgia O'Keeffe, who was born in the town of Sun Prairie in 1887.

<u>Fiscal Effect:</u> No state funds, other than from contributions from interested parties, may be used for the erection or maintenance of any markers on STH 19 to identify that portion of the highway as the "Georgia O'Keeffe Memorial Highway." According to the DOT fiscal estimate, the cost to build and erect 2 signs and an off-road marker would be \$1,050.

#### Questions:

- The bill requires private funds to be used to construct the signs marking the highway. Is there already a plan in place to generate this money?
- Was Ms. O'Keeffe a lifelong resident of Wisconsin?

#### **Assembly Action:**

- Passed the Assembly Committee on Transportation on a 14-0 vote.
- Passed the Assembly on a voice vote.

Assembly Bill 230 (Companion bill to SB 122) Relating to: the licensing of motor vehicle salvage dealers.

- MOTION TO RECOMMEND CONCURRENCE
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLE CALL

#### Senate Bill 256

Relating to: traffic regulations and traffic control devices at railroad crossings and providing a penalty.

- MOTION FOR PASSAGE
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLE CALL

Assembly Bill 512 (Companion bill to SB 256)
Relating to: traffic regulations and traffic control devices at railroad crossings and providing a penalty.

- MOTION TO RECOMMEND CONCURRENCE
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLE CALL

#### **Assembly Bill 112**

Relating to: motor vehicle registration plates for disabled veterans.

- MOTION TO RECOMMEND CONCURRENCE
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLE CALL

#### Assembly Bill 144

Relating to: designating and marking a portion of STH 19 as the Georgia O'Keeffe Memorial Highway.

- MOTION TO RECOMMEND CONCURRENCE
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P. O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707-7882

June 27, 2005

Senator Neal Kedzie, Chair Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation Room 313 South, State Capitol Madison, WI 53707

Dear Chairman Kedzie:

We are writing to respectfully request that the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation schedule a public hearing on Assembly Bill 144, relating to designating and marking a portion of State Highway 19 as the Georgia O'Keeffe Memorial Highway.

AB 144 was approved on a 14-0 vote by the Assembly Committee on Transportation on April 15, 2005. The State Assembly approved this bi-partisan bill on a voice vote on June 16, 2005.

Georgia O'Keeffe was born in the town of Sun Prairie in 1887, and we would like the state of Wisconsin to recognize her accomplishments and artistic contributions by designating a portion of State Highway 19 in her memory.

We respectfully request that you schedule this bill for a public hearing and committee vote at your earliest convenience.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Mark Miller State Senator

16<sup>th</sup> Senate District

Eugene Hahn

State Representative

Eugene Hahr

47<sup>th</sup> Assembly District

Gary Hebl

State Representative

46<sup>th</sup> Assembly District



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#### SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION

# TESTIMONY ON ASSEMBLY BILL 144 BY REP. GARY HEBL THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2005

Chairman Kedzie and members of the committee, thank you for holding this hearing on Assembly Bill 144.

I am here today in support of designating a portion of State Highway 19 as the Georgia O'Keeffe Memorial Highway. This bill is very important to me.

In April, AB144 passed unanimously out the Assembly Committee on Transportation and in June it unanimously passed the full Assembly.

This bill directs the Department of Transportation to reserve and mark the segment of State Highway 19 that runs between the cities of Sun Prairie and Marshall. The designated portion of the highway will be named the "Georgia O'Keeffe Memorial Highway" and will recognize Georgia O'Keeffe's contributions and accomplishments.

There is no fiscal impact, no state funds will be used for the creation or maintenance of this memorial. The only funds that will be used will come from the Sun Prairie Historical Society and area supporters.

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This bill is very important to Wisconsin residents, especially those coming from the southeast area. As many people know, Georgia O'Keeffe was born on a dairy farm in Sun Prairie. Although she spent only 12.5 years in this beautiful state, residents take pride in the fact that her outstanding life and dedication to art began in a town that belongs to Wisconsin.

Unlike many other artists of her time, Georgia O'Keeffe was alive to receive many awards for her work. She was honored with the Medal of Freedom, which was presented by President Gerald Ford in 1977, and she received the National Medal of the Arts from President Ronald Reagan in 1985.

Although Georgia O'Keeffe died nearly 20 years ago, her artwork remains legendary. Even young students today are able to recognize her lone, flowing flowers, which stand incomparable to others by consuming the entire canvas, or her amazingly accurate depictions of New Mexico's mountains and deserts.

It is for this reason that we should continue to honor the lifelong career of Georgia O'Keeffe. By designating a section of State Highway 19 and naming it the "Georgia O'Keeffe Memorial Highway".

Thank you, Chairman Kedzie and members for your time and consideration of this important legislation.